

City of Tucson Parks & Recreation Department

TUCSON GREENS COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MARCH 25, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Tucson Greens Committee was called to order on Thursday, March 25, 2010. The meeting was held at Tucson Parks and Recreation, Randolph Golf Complex, Cactus Room, 600 S. Alvernon Way, Tucson, Arizona.

Committee Members present: Jack Rickard, Frank Salbego, Chuck Cushman, Raul Navarro, Joan Reilly, Joe Rodriguez, Cyril Shettleroe and Scott Webster. Members absent: Joe Rodriguez. One seat vacant. Advisory Members present: Jim Benjamin and Dr. David Kopec.

City Staff in Attendance: Mike Hayes (Deputy Director – Parks and Recreation / Golf), Brent Newcomb (Golf Administrator), Steve Moors (Golf Operations Superintendent), Pam Drake (Golf Pro – Randolph), and Jim Goettel (Golf Pro – El Rio), Paul Noonan (Golf Pro – Silverbell), Tom Tatum (Golf Pro – Fred Enke), Franklin Anzalone (Concessions Manager), Robbee Robinson (Food & Beverage Supervisor – Randolph).

I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 25, 2010

Mr. Shettleroe made the motion to approve the Minutes.

Mr. Salbego seconded the motion.

All were in favor, Minutes were approved 7 - 0.

III. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

None

IV. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Mr. Hayes told the Committee of the upcoming Tucson Parks Foundation \$1,000,000 Hole-in-One Shootout. He said the qualifying has been busier than last year. There will be a Pro-Am Saturday, March 27. 26 golfers should be competing for the \$1,000,000.

V. GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE REPORT

Mr. Newcomb presented his Report, and spoke of how unusually cold the month of March had been. He continued that even with the cold temperatures, the fairways at El Rio were growing and they had been mowed last week. He also said that the Khaki weed seemed to have much less of a presence this year compared to last.

Mr. Newcomb shared with the Committee that the new 'Combo' tee markers were in place on Randolph, El Rio and Fred Enke.

VI. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COMMENTS

A. Golf Course Maintenance Inspection / Standards

Mr. Rickard inspected El Rio on March 23, with Parks and Golf Area Supervisor Tim Brady. He mentioned specifically the benefit to the fairways, from restricting carts to the path.

B. City Amateur

Mr. Hayes reminded the Committee that this year's Men's City Amateur would be held on April 24 and 25; and May 1 and 2; and that all five courses will be used.

VII. CLUB RATES - DISCUSSION - MR. SALBEGO

Mr. Hayes reviewed TCG's Reservation Policy with the Committee. He made a point of the privilege the Clubs and Groups have of pre-booking their tee times up to six (6) months in advance, and the fact that from April 16 through December 31, extra discounts are awarded to Clubs and Groups. Mr. Hayes continued that if the Committee would recommend changing the Winter Club and Group rate, at the Randolph Complex, that would create a revenue shortfall that would have to be made up somewhere else.

After several minutes of discussion it was the consensus of the Committee not to recommend changing the Reservation Policy.

VIII. TUCSON CITY GOLF OPERATIONAL & FISCAL PLANNING – DISCUSSION – STAFF

Mr. Hayes updated the Committee on recent Mayor and City Council actions regarding their review of the Budget Options Balancing System. He said that the sale of Randolph Golf Course was not being considered at this time. However, the City Manager had suggested, and the mayor and Council approved asking the Tucson Greens Committee for a recommendation on contracting out the operation of El Rio, Silverbell and Fred Enke Golf Courses.

The Committee asked for information and materials to assist them in understanding the issues.

Mr. Hayes said staff would gather relevant materials from other golf operations and send it to the Committee before the next meeting.

IX. FIRST TEE / EL RIO – UPDATE

Mr. Hayes said that there will be an event later this year.

X. D.I.V.O.T.S. – UPDATE

Mr. Hayes reviewed the reports with the Committee.

XI. OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES REPORT

Mr. Hayes reviewed the report with the Committee.

XII. GOLF PLAY STATISTICS

Mr. Hayes reviewed the reports with the Committee.

XIII. CONCESSIONS REPORT

Mr. Moors reviewed the report with the Committee.

XIV. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

None

XV. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

The next Tucson Greens Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 14, at the Randolph Golf Complex, in the Cactus Room, at 3:00 P.M.

XVI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

BOBS - Discussion - Staff

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Salbego made the motion to adjourn. Ms. Reilly seconded the motion. All were in favor, 7 - 0. Meeting was adjourned at 4:35 P.M.